

REMARKS

The Examiner has required an election in the present application between:

First Species, illustrated in Figs. 9-12 and 20-21; and

Second Species, illustrated in Fig(s). 22-29.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect the First Species, illustrated in Figs. 9-12 and 20-21 with traverse.

At least claims 1-7 and 13 are directed to the elected species. As acknowledged by the Examiner, and there are no generic claims at this time.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Michael R. Cammarata (Reg. No. 39,491) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

By 
Michael R. Cammarata, #39,491

MRC/kpc

P.O. Box 747
Falls Church, VA 22040-0747
(703) 205-8000